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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated July 2, 2004 (Paper No. 2) (herein referred to as "Office Action").

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

The three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on October 2, 2004. A petition requesting an extension of three months to and including January 2, 2005, is submitted herewith. Therefore, this Response is timely filed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.